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SUBJECT.

Jungle Warfare training in Mysore District (Berambadi State Forest).

M. Krishnan
14.12.43.

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From The Rep CR.

C.L.O. 188/42-44 d 6th Dec 43 forg a copy of letter from A DC Mysore re: Shell firing practice on a portion of the hill and forest area in the Bandipur Sht Forest (Sandl). Stating that he has no objection as there are no inhabited villages in the area and requesting Sanction of Govt to the military carrying out the practice subject to the usual conditions.

The opinion of the CCF. who is acquainted both in the Station, with the locality in the first instance there are no inhabited villages in the area. The CR has no objection to the proposal. Both forwarded

Forwarded with compliments & the thing concerned & forests for favour of remarks & return of file in the course of the day.

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W. O IV No 142/W dt 7-12-1943

2C.O. No. 17/42-44 dated 8-12-43

Retransmitted with compliments.

The area in which the Military authorities intend carrying out field firing practice is situated within the Venugopal Wild Life Park where shooting is prohibited.

It is understood, that some distinguished visitors would be camping out for shooting at Bandipur during Christmas week. Bandipur is close to the area where field firing practice is proposed. Field firing at this place

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is likely to disturb game and may in all probability affect shikar arrangements.

It appears therefore undesirable to grant this permission at present. The Military may perhaps be advised to postpone this field firing practice till after Christmas.

Chief Conservator of Forests.

The Chief Secretary
To the Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

No. 3385

Date 8/12/43
No. 3552

Date 9/12/43
No. 3570

The above note is for Secretariat orders

Sd/-

Mr (SM)

The R.C may be asked to bring to the notice of the Chief Civil Representative that the area now proposed for the firing practice from the Vemagal Rest House Park, in which shooting is prohibited & it is therefore necessary to select some other area suitable for the purpose -

Draft

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The Dy Comm, Mysore Dt tells me that the Military authorities do not intend to carry out shell firing practice in the Sanctuary but only bajonet practice. On this understanding permission may be given subject to the usual conditions

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Subd with a draft reply to the C.R. with my calls orders supra. A draft order under Sec 50 B is also subd.

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12. Issued no. W 1314 dy 9.12.43 to the R.C. & C.R.
" memo. nos. W 1315-6 " " D.C. Mysore & C.C.F

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From The Secy to the Govt of India in the Defence Dept. No D.F. B 100-43/Pol d 11th Dec. 43 regarding orders against civilians firing practice - Berambadi Slah Forest Sanctt.

The letter approving the proposal was issued on the 9th inst. Subd with a draft to the Resy

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14. Sec

Issued no. Pol 1159 dy 13.12.43 to the Resy.

Pro 15/12

No C.D 369/43-44. dy 23-12-43 from D.C Mysore reporting actions taken in the matter of firing practice near Bhimeshwari with life persons.

Secd. for perusal. D the D.C does not state what action taken on the ~~suggestion~~ letter. Pl see correspondence now closed. He may be asked any explanation.

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The A.S.P. Lashkar should be asked what steps have been taken in the matter and also

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SECRET & URGENT.

No. C.L.O. 188/43-44.

Office of the Revenue Commissioner & Civil Representative in Mysore, Bangalore, dated 6th Dec. 1943.

To

V. VEDAVYASACHARYA, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to Government
of Mysore, Bangalore.

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JUNGLE WARFARE TRAINING.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith a copy of the letter No. T.C. 115/43-44 dated 2nd Dec. 1943 received from the Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District, on the above subject.

It is reported that Mr. H.H. Carleston, I.C.S., the Chief Civil Representative with the 25 Indian Division Stationed in Gundlupet - Sultan Battery area has asked for permission to carry out shell firing practices between ten and sixteen hours on the 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 16th, 17th, 18th, and 19th December 1943 on a portion of the hill and forest area in the Berambadi State Forest (South)-, to the South of the Gundlupet - Sultan Battery Road between miles 134 and 138,-bounded on the East and West by lines running due south to the State boundary from mile stones 134 and 138 respectively, and on the South by the State boundary, as shown in the sketch enclosed.

The opinion of the Chief Conservator of Forests in Mysore, on the subject could not be obtained as he is absent from Head Quarters, on tour. His opinion will be obtained and submitted to Government separately.

In the circumstances reported by the Deputy Commissioner and as there are no inhabited villages in this area, I have no objection in view of the urgency, to the necessary sanction of Government, being accorded to the military carrying out shell-firing practices in this range as recommended by the Deputy Commissioner, under Section 50 (B) of the Defence of India Rules as applied to Mysore, pending final settlement of the boundary of the proposed range and subject to the usual conditions viz:-

1. that the training will be avoided in the vicinity of inhabited villages.
2. that crop compensation to the owners of land, if any in the area, and compensation for damage caused to forest property, should be paid,

3. P.T.O.

3. that the area should be reconnoitred carefully after each day's practice to make sure that all unexploded shells are picked up and disposed of before declaring the area clear.
4. that sufficient prior notice of the practice should be given to the civil authorities concerned. and
5. that traffic on the Gundlupet - Sultan Battery Road should not be obstructed.

A copy of the formal requisition dated 2nd Dec. 1943, received from Mr. Carleston, together with the connected sketches is enclosed for kind reference.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

REVENUE COMMISSIONER &
CIVIL REPRESENTATIVE.

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No.

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Mysore District, Mysore,
Dated 2nd December 1943

From

The Deputy Commissioner,
" Mysore District, Mysore.

To

The Revenue Commissioner &
the Civil Representative in Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

I have the honour to state that Mr. Carleston, I.C.S., the Chief Civil Representative in charge of the 25th Indian Division, stationed in Gundlupet Sultan Battery area, saw me while I was at Nanjangud this after-noon in connection with the fixing up of the shell-firing practices of the 25th Division in the area described by him in the enclosed requisition. He was very anxious that the orders of Government may kindly be obtained and communicated to him before the 7th instant, so as to enable the military authorities to make all arrangements in time. I have also enclosed herein for your perusal two sketches, one given by him and another prepared in my office, on which it has been indicated in pencil (A.B.C.D.) the area required for the practices.

Early orders of Government may kindly be obtained and communicated to me.

The area required is in Berambadi State Forest towards its South and is hilly and a jungle tract without any 'charak' villages in the area. However, the Military have undertaken to reconnoiter the whole area before securing the range-clear from the Mysore

State officers. He has distinctly described the area as falling in Berambadi State Forest area and not within the Bandipur State Forest area and as such I have no objection for their practices in the said area. However, the Chief Conservator of Forests may also kindly be consulted, and the orders of Government obtained communicated to me early.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Mysore District.

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Copy of letter No. T.C. 115/43-44 dated 2nd December 1943 from the Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District to the Revenue Commissioner and Civil Representative in Mysore.

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Copy of letter received from Mr. H.H. Carleston, I.C.S., Civil Representative, 25 Indian Division, Camp: Nanjaggud, dated 2nd Dec. 1943.

Dear Sir,

The Jungle Warfare training camp, Gundlupet - Sultan Battery Road, area.

The Military stationed in the aforesaid area wish to have their practices of shell firing in Mysore State area, bearing the following description:

Hill and Forest Area in the Berambadi State Forest (South) to the south of Gunlupet - Sultan Battery Road between miles 134 and 138 and bounded on the East and West by lines running due South to the State boundary from mile-stpne 134 and 138 reppectively and on the South by the State boundary.

A rough sketch of the area accompanies. I have also indicated the area roughly, on the sketch. The firing will not take place before reconnoitering the whole area prior to obtaining "range-clear". The practices will be between 10 and 16 hours on the 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14 16th, 17th, 18th and 19th December 1943.

Early orders of Government may kindly be obtained in the matter.

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M. N. Ananthaswamy

For Revenue Commissioner &
for Civil Representative.

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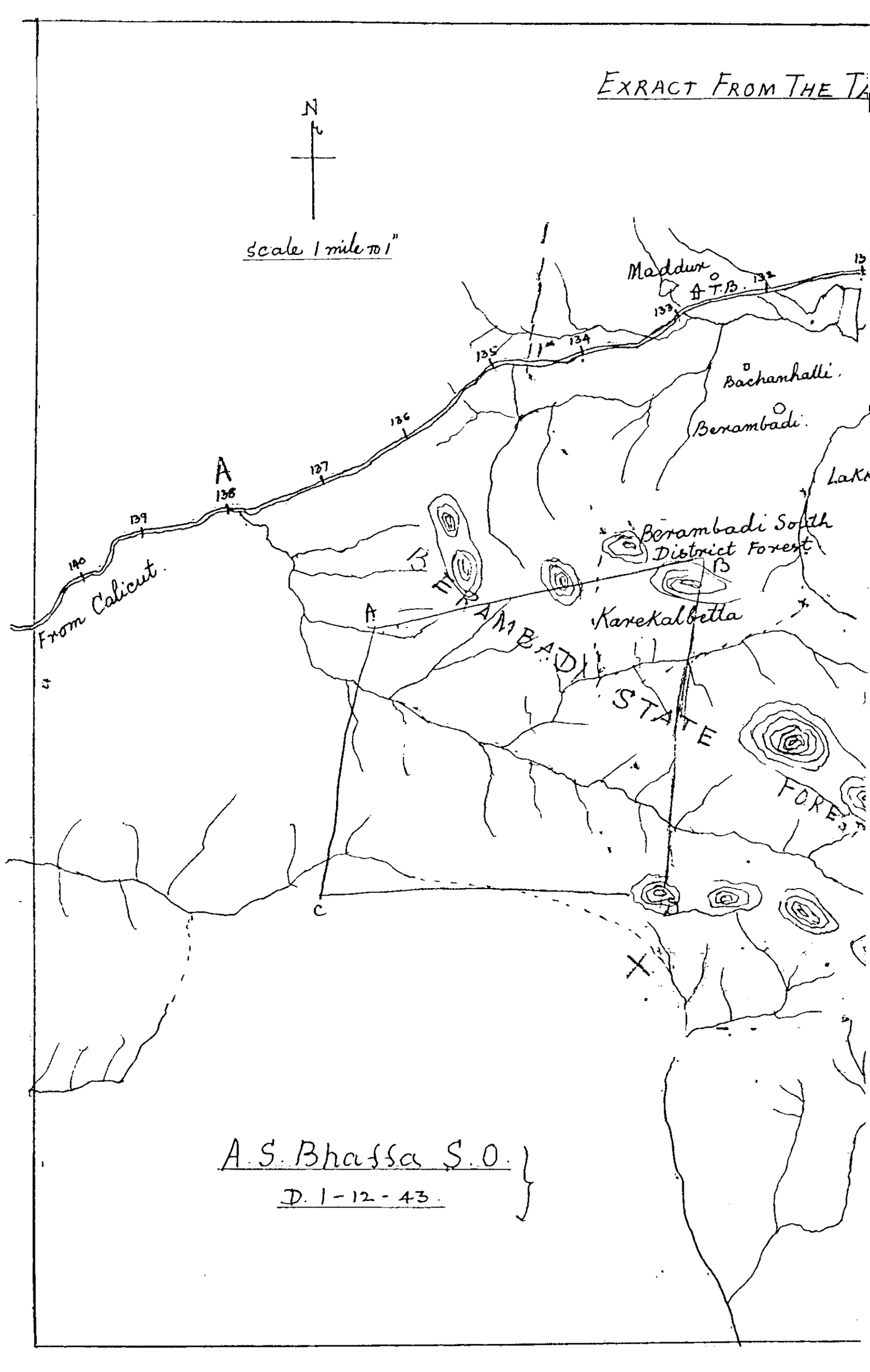

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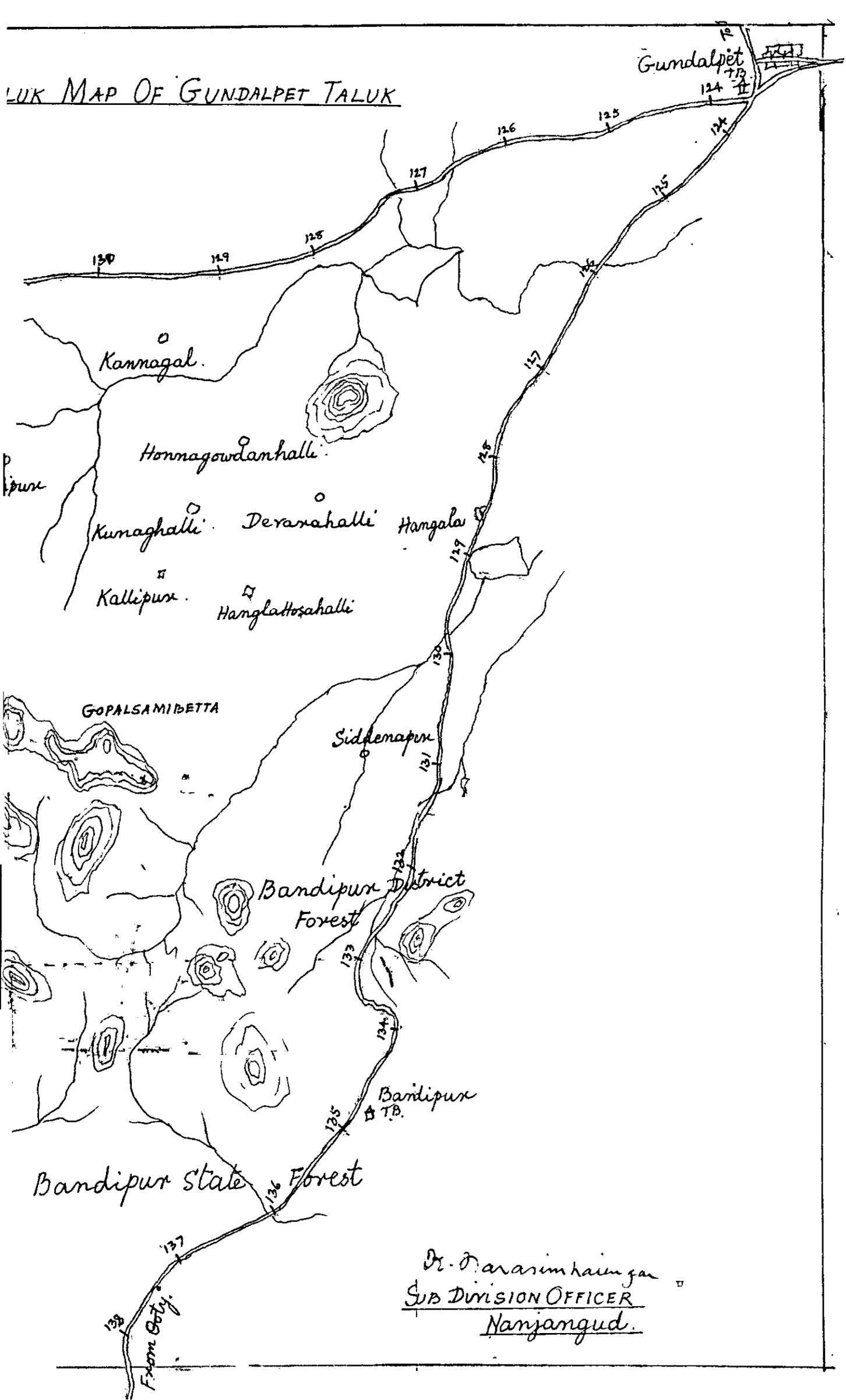
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Section War
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Diary No. of letter replied to.....

Secret
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No. W/314

To RC to C
Punjab Warfare Training
Sir.

General and Revenue Secretariat

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With ref to your letter
No CNO 688(43)44 6th Dec 42
I am directed to state that
it is ascertained from the DC Mysore
that the military authorities do
not intend to carry out shell
firing practice in the Bandipur
Wild life Park but only
beyond it near this
understanding permission for
the 50 subject to the usual conditions
being given. A copy of
order issued under Rule 50B
is herein enclosed.

Date of issue.....9/12.....

Signed by.....Mr S/KV.....

forwarded herewith a copy 2 Nos 2.8.12.43 of the B.B.W.L. Park Rules

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Memo No W/315-16. WD 04161—GPB—60,000—24-10-41

Copy to CCF
DC Mysore

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No.DF.100-43/Pol W Immediate

From - The Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore
To - The Chief Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore.

Bangalore, 11th December 1943.

Sub:- Artillery Range - Berambadi.

Sir,

I am directed to forward a copy of a telegram dated the 9th December 1943 from Mr.Carleston, the Civil Representative of the Government of Madras at Sultans Battery, and to request that the necessary telegraphic instructions to the Deputy Commissioner, Mysore, and Police Inspector, Gundlupet, may kindly be issued as desired by him.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

for Secretary to the Resident.

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Copy of a telegram dated the 9th Decr.1943, from Mr.H.Carleston, Civil Representative to the Govt. of Madras at Sultans Battery, to the Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore, Bangalore.

Kindly request Dewan for immediate telegraphic instructions to Deputy Commissioner Mysore and Police Inspector Gundlupet approving new Artillery Range Berambadi South State Forest.

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Section War

File No. 79-43

Serial No. 14.

Diary No. of letter replied to.....

Secret & Immediate

No. SoC 1159

To The Secy to the Hon'ble the Revenue Member

Sir,

With reference to your letter No D F 100-43/Rd d 11th Dec. 43 on the above subject, I am directed to enclose herein for your information a copy of letter No 1314/W d 9th Dec. 43 issued to the R.C.I.C.R Corps Srt by DC Mysore with the Matter.

I have

for Chief Secretary to Govt

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Signed by Mr. TKV Iyer

Please Secy Gp. 1

Work Relief Revenue Commissioner has already been called for

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No.C.D. 369/43-44. Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Enc.1. Mysore District,
Dated, Mysore, 23rd December 1943.

From

The Deputy Commissioner,
Mysore District, Mysore.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government
of Mysore, Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your memo No. W. 1315-16 dated 9th December 1943 regarding the grant of permission for field firing practice near the Venugopal Wild Life park, I have the honour to state that copies of the memo were communicated immediately to the District Superintendent of police, Mysore, Assistant Superintendent of police, Nanjangud, Mr. T.M. Amber, Liaison Officer, Gundlupet and also to Mr. H.H. Carleston, Officer Commanding, Sultan battery area. The Assistant Superintendent of police, Nanjangud has reported that steps have been taken to stop the shell-firing practice at Chammanagalla area and to have their practice only in Bheemana Beedu area.

I am enclosing a copy of letter received from Mr. H.H. Carleston for favour of your kind information.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

For Deputy Commissioner,
Mysore District.

Copy of letter dated 12-12-43 from Lt. H.H. Carleston, Sultan Battery, to the Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District, Mysore.

I am afraid we are having trouble over the new artillery Range owing to the literal interpretation of your endorsement No. C. D. 369/43-44 forwarding copy of letter No. W. 1314 dated 9th Dec. 1943 of the Chief Secretary to Government. The C.O. has allowed the firing in the area excluding the Sanctuary but your endorsement says "sanctuary or the Game preserve". The Forest Range Officer points out that the whole area is included in the Veguvopal Wild Life park, which is a Game preserve. The Government were aware of this when passing their order and they excluded only the Sanctuary, which is a specific area within the Wild Life Park, which has been pointed out by the Range Officer.

In the circumstances it appears that the words "or Game preserves" in your endorsement are a clerical error or mistake as they would render the whole Govt. order inoperative. I feel this is quite clear, and am therefore informing the Military that the firing may go on outside the sanctuary, as permitted by the Govt. order.

I hope (& am quite sure) that this is all right, I would have come to Mysore to put this matter right, but felt it unnecessary to do this, - or to trouble you on a Sunday.

Will you kindly inform the Amildar by wire, so that the matters may be put straight.

"Copy"

H.H. Carleston

for Deputy Commissioner,
Mysore District.